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TAGS: PARM, CCD

SUBJ: CCD: CONVERSATION ON NEUTRON BOMB AND RADIOLOGICAL WEAPONS

1. DURING AUGUST 5 DINNER CONVERSATION AMONG MEMBERS OF VARIOUS CCD DELS INCLUDING KORMENDY (HUNGARY), SALEEM (PAKISTAN), DJOKIC (YUGOSLAVIA), AND ALTERNATE US REP, ISSUE OF MASS DESTRUCTION WEAPONS (MDW) WAS UNDER DISCUSSUIN WHEN SALEEN ASKED IF NEUTRON BOMB WAS INCLUDED UNDER NEW MDW RUBRIC, IF IT WAS A RADIOLOGICAL WEAPON, AND IF IT WAS MDW. KORMENDY RESPONDED THAT NEUTRON BOMB WAS NOTHING MORE THAN A NUCLEAR WEAPON WHOSE RADIATION CHARACTERISTICS HAD BEEN ENHANCED AND WAS CLEARLY NOT A NEW MDW BUT A MODIFICATION OF AN IEXISTING TYPE. HE ADDED THAT NEUTRON BOMB WAS ALSO CLEARLY NOT A RADIOLOGICAL WEAPON SINCE RW IS LIMITED TO WEAPONS PRODUCING RADIOACTIVITY THROUGH RADIOACTIVE DECAY ONLY, AND NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE WEAPONS ARE NOT INCLUDED.

2. DJOKIC INTERJECTED THAT, SINCE NEUTRON BOMB USED RADIATION AS ITS PRIMARY MEANS OF CAUSING INJURY, IT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS RADIOLOGICAL WEAPON.

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3. KORMENDY RESPONDED THAT ONE SHOULD DEAL WITH NEUTRON BOMB ALONG WITH OTHER TYPES OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND NOT TREAT IT AS A SEPARATE CATEGORY. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THE NEUTRON BOMB IS A TACTICAL WEAPON AND CERTAINLY LESS DESTRUCTIVE THAN "MANY OF THE LARGER TACTICAL WEAPONS CURRENTLY IN THE NATO AND WARSAW PACT INVENTORIES."

4. US ALTERNATE REP NOTED THAT RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS WEAPON WAS INCLUDED IN THOSE WEAPONS IDENTIFIED AS MDW BY 1948 UN DEFINITION.

5. COMMENT: THIS IS A GOOD INDICATION THAT SOVIETS DO NOT INTEND TO EXPLOIT NEUTRON BOMB ISSUE UNDER RW RUBRIC. KORMENDY IS WELL PLUGGED IN WITH THE SOVIET DEL AND ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS IN THE PAST HAS FLOATED TRIAL BALLOONS FOR THE EASTERN BLOCK OR PROVIDED THE FIRST NOTICE OF A CHANGE IN THE EASTERN POSITION. FOR EXAMPLE, HE WAS THE FIRST TO INDICATE THAT THE SOVIET UNION AND OTHER EASTERN EUROPEANS WERE PLANNING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SEISMIC EXPERTS GROUP AT THE CCD. SORENSON

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